(4) Every labourer should have free and easy access to a fairly well equipped dispensary or hospital. Women should have adequate provision for maternity clinics.

(5) Every adult labourer should be given a ration of 45 nali rice per month (besides other cereals) and the members of his family should be given ordinary ration. He should also be sold at the controlled rates at least 20 yards for clothing.

(6) 25 per cent of the net profits of each estate should be set apart every year for meeting the material living conditions of the labourers.

(7) There should be made available in every estate an office room for the use of the works committees of every estate or branch.

(*d*) The usual procedure when memoranda are submitted is for the union representatives to directly discuss with the management on the matters raised in the memoranda. If such negotiations fail, the Conciliation Staff of the Department of Labour mediate in the dispute. In this instance, it is not known that any direct discussions between the management and the union representatives took place. The Labour Commissioner held separate discussions with the representatives of the managements and the union representatives. A joint conference was held by him on 27th August 1951, in which the representatives of the four estates, the Secretary of the Association of Planters of Travancore and the President of the Union participated. It was revealed at the Conference that the main demand of the Union related to the increase in wages. The managements refused to increase wages since the wages in all the tea estates were settled on an industry-wide basis. Government have asked the minimum wages committee to declare interim wage rates for the labour in these estates.

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കൃഷിക്കായി പതിച്ചു കൊടുത്ത ഭൂമി

* മന്നം. (൫൫) ശ്രീ. എസ്. ശിവരാമനാചാരി : താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്ക് ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട കൃഷിവകുപ്പുമന്ത്രി സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) കൃഷിക്കായി ഇതേവരെ എത്ര ഏക്കർ സ്ഥലം പതിച്ചു കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ട്;

(ബി) എതെല്ലാം കൃഷികൾ നടത്തിക്കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നു;

(സി) അതിൽപ്പെട്ടവർക്കാണ് ഭൂമി പതിച്ചുകൊടുത്തിട്ടുള്ളത്?

ധനകാര്യവും, കൃഷിയും വകുപ്പുമന്ത്രി (ശ്രീ. കെ. എം. കോര) :

(എ) ഉദ്ദേശം ൩൩,൦൦൦ ഏക്കർ വനഭൂമി. പുറമ്പോക്ക ഭൂമിയെ സംബന്ധിച്ച് കണക്ക ശേഖരിച്ചുവരുന്നു.

(ബി) നെല്ല്, കപ്പ, മറ്റ ധാന്യങ്ങൾ മുതലായവ.

(സി) അധഃകൃതരുൾപ്പെടെ വ്യക്തികൾ, സമാപനങ്ങൾ, യാത്രക്കാർ, വിമുക്തഭടർ, ഐ. എൻ. എ. ക്കാർ എന്നിവർക്ക് കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ട്.

Unstarred Question posted for Answer on 20th September 1951

MANUFACTURE OF TEA

4. [4] **Sri. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai :** With reference to the production of tea in Ponmudi, Invercauld, Merchiston and Bonnaccaud Estates, will the hon. Minister for Industries be pleased to state what is the total amount of tea manufactured in each of those estates for the years 1947 to 1951?

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Answer.

Name of estates	1947 — Lbs.	1948 — Lbs.	1949 — Lbs.	1950 — Lbs.
Ponmudi Estate	2,66,504	3,01,458	2,87,699	4,16,003
Invercauld Estate	1,55,278	1,57,200	1,52,509	1,67,507
Merchiston Estate	3,51,458	3,03,189	3,23,609	4,06,797
Bonaccaud Estate	5,34,243	5,25,503	5,26,092	7,39,465

The figures for 1951 are not available at present.

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